



## CARB-ORATORS TOASTMASTERS CLUB #4837

AREA 44 \* Division D \* District 39 \* Region 1

JULY 2004 NEWSLETTER

### CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to: **Julie Cooper**, Monitoring and Laboratory Division; **Dongmin Luo**, Research Division; **Tina Suarez-Murias**, Planning and Technical Support Division; and **Dawit Tadesse**, Water Resources Control Board; for completing their Competent Toastmaster (CTM) certifications, the completion of ten speeches emphasizing the various aspects of good public speaking.

Also, congratulations to **Ray Asregadoo**, Stationary Source Division, and **Bob Weller**, Planning and Technical Support Division, for completing Advanced Toastmaster Bronze (ATM-B) certifications, involving specialized aspects of speaking. Ray and Bob both specialized in technical presentations, with Robert also focusing on humorous speeches and Ray focusing on entertaining speeches. **Cindy Chain** and **Bob Weller** completed Competent Leader (CL) certifications, involving club leadership, speaking, and planning.

All of these individual honors helped CARB-Orators achieve the highest possible club honor for the second year in a row—the President's Distinguished Club award, an award that typically is achieved by only 15% of Toastmaster clubs in any given year.

### AREA COMPETITIONS

CARB-Orators continued its strong finishes in regional speech competitions. **La Ronda Bowen-Fruin** finished first place this spring at the Area level in the Speech Evaluation category where a model speech is critiqued by the competitors in an impromptu two to three minute evaluation speech. **Ray Asregadoo** took second in the speech category at the Area level with his speech "The Wiley Gray Hair." Advancing to the Divisional level contest, La Ronda also won first place, one of the best performances ever by a CARB-Orator. The Divisional level represents over 25 clubs, so is extremely competitive. Congratulations to La Ronda and Ray!

These fine performances continue the string of excellent finishes by CARB-Orators at the Area level one year ago where **Cindy Chain** won first place with her speech "Is Your Glass Half Full or Half Empty?" and **Aron Livingston**, (Legal Division) was second in the Speech Evaluation category.

### NEW MEMBERS

CARB-Orators welcomes the following new members since January: **Kamal Ahuja**, Stationary Source Division; **Phillip Isorena**, Water Resources Control Board; **Melissa Meuser**, Mobile Source Control Division; and **Elliot Mulberg**, Planning and Technical Support Division. Welcome!

### NEW OFFICERS

New CARB-Orator officers for 2004-2005 are: **Cathy Carlson**, Sergeant-of-Arms; **Bill Dean**, Vice President of Education; **Scott Fruin**, President; **Dongmin Luo**, Vice President of Public Relations; **Elliot Mulberg**, Treasurer; **Kim Nguyen**, Secretary; and **Tina Suarez-Murias**, Vice President of Membership.

**VISITORS ALWAYS WELCOME:** CARB-Orators invites you to visit one of our dynamic meetings and see how members learn to speak more clearly and concisely in a supportive and friendly environment. Join us on **Tuesdays, 12-1 p.m.**, in **Conference Room 720** on the 7<sup>th</sup> floor, 1001 I Street.

For more information, please contact Tina Suarez-Murias, VP Membership, at 323-1495 or Scott Fruin, President, at 322-7147.